

## Still Your Friend Company History



Still Your Friend debuted its first play, *The Assassination of Robert Ford*, in 2014 at the Toronto Fringe earning a Best of Fringe title after surprising audiences with its "clever cautionary tale of the cyclical nature of hatred" (Steve Fisher, Torontist). Launching Adam Bailey as an exciting new playwright Still Your Friend continues to be dedicated to the development of his work.

2015 began the tour of the acclaimed *Adam Bailey is on Fire*, which was developed with the assistance of **Factory Theatre**. Being seen in Winnipeg, Edmonton, Kitchener and Victoria as well as Toronto that show has earned rave reviews and a **Patrons' Pick Award** along the way.

**The Life Henri** is Still Your Friend and Adam Bailey's third play and is directed by **Laura Anne Harris**. It previewed as **Henri** in Edmonton in 2016 earning a  $\star\star\star\star$  review. The Toronto debut marks the start of a four city tour.



## About Adam Bailey (Writer / Performer The Life Henri)

Adam Bailey is a Toronto based LGBT artist with an eclectic early career. 10 years ago he was primarily a burlesque performer with **The Shameless Dames**, and he continues to work in Toronto's Cabaret scene both at the **Lunacy Cabaret** and the helm of the **Toronto Festival of Clowns**. After training as a director at some of the

Toronto's most prestigious theatres (**Tarragon, Soulpepper, Buddies in Bad Times**) he cut his theatre teeth on some ambitious projects, including the national premiers of *Terrorism* and *Shadow of a Boy* for **Royal Porcupine Productions**. He helmed his first Fringe show in 2012 when he directed the "*cringe-worthy work of genius*" (**Mooney on Theatre**) *The Enchanted Crackhouse*, **Enchanted Collective**. He's since directed *Skunkweed* for **Triple ByPass** earning **NNNN** from **Now Magazie** and a **Patrons' Pick** as well as continued to work at **Still Your Friend**. This year he will serve double duty, not only producing and performing in *The Life Henri*, he is directing *Dear Uncle Wish* for **Theatre Enthused**.



## About Laura Anne Harris (Director The Life Henri)

Laura Anne Harris is a writer/performer/director, born and raised in Victoria, B.C. Laura trained at the University of Victoria's Acting program and graduated in 2007. Most recently she directed *Commencement* for Convection Productions earning a ★★★★★ review from the CBC. Best known for writing and staring in *Pitch Blonde* which won the 2007 Critic's

**Choice Award for 'Best Fringe Production'** in Victoria and has toured ever since. When she premiered *The Homemaker* at the 25th Annual Toronto Fringe Festival **Now Magazine** listed her as one of the **top 10 artists to watch** and gave her a **NNNN** review.